

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace paragraph [0080] with the following amended paragraph:

[0080] [0040] Further, a shaft elastic ~~portion-39~~ portion 35 is also formed on the shaft 25 near the head portion 31. The shaft elastic ~~portion-39~~ portion 35 is provided in view of the fact that a strike against teeth or the like is caused in a location corresponding to a neck on the shaft 25 as well as the head portion.

Please replace paragraph [0118] with the following amended paragraph:

[0118] As a method of manufacture thereof, as shown in Fig. 21, formation can be made by arranging an inner ~~core-43~~ core 143 in metallic dies 144, 145, first molding the bristle transplanted base 141, thereafter setting the molded bristle transplanted base 141 so that projections of the inner ~~core-43~~ core 143 can be accommodated in the holes 136 for bristle transplantation, and molding a material for the elastic portion 142 outside the bristle transplanted base 141 in a stripe-like manner.